

TABLE I.—BRAKE TEST PROCEDURE SEQUENCE AND REQUIREMENTS—Continued

Sequence	Test load		Test procedure	Requirements
	Light	GVWR		
4. Second effectiveness test .....	.....	X	S7.5(b) .....	S5.1.1.2
5. First reburnish .....	.....	X	S7.6 .....	
6. Parking brake .....	X	X	S7.7 .....	S5.2
7. Stability and control during braking (braking-in-a-curve test) .....	X	.....	S7.5(a) .....	S5.1.7
8. Third effectiveness (lightly loaded vehicle) .....	X	.....	S7.8 .....	S5.1.1.3
9. Partial failure .....	X	X	S7.9 .....	S5.1.2
10. Inoperative brake power and power assist units .....	.....	X	S7.10 .....	S5.1.3
11. First fade and recovery .....	.....	X	S7.11 .....	S5.1.4
12. Second reburnish .....	.....	X	S7.12 .....	
13. Second fade and recovery .....	.....	X	S7.13 .....	S5.1.4
14. Third reburnish .....	.....	X	S7.14 .....	
15. Fourth effectiveness .....	.....	X	S7.15 .....	S5.1.1.4
16. Water recovery .....	.....	X	S7.16 .....	S5.1.5
17. Spike stops .....	.....	X	S7.17 .....	S5.1.6
18. Final inspection .....	.....	.....	S7.18 .....	S5.6
19. Moving barrier test .....	.....	X	S7.19 .....	S5.2.2.3

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■ 3. Section 571.121 is amended by revising S5.3, S5.3.6, S5.3.6.2 and Table 1; and by adding S6.1.17, to read as follows:

**§ 571.121 Air brake systems**

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S5.3 Service brakes—road tests. The service brake system on each truck tractor shall, under the conditions of S6, meet the requirements of S5.3.1, S5.3.3, S5.3.4, and S5.3.6, when tested without adjustments other than those specified in this standard. The service brake system on each bus and truck (other than a truck tractor shall) manufactured before July 1, 2005 and each bus and truck (other than a truck tractor) manufactured in two or more stages shall, under the conditions of S6, meet the requirements of S5.3.1, S5.3.3, and S5.3.4 when tested without adjustments other than those specified in this standard. The service brake system on each bus and truck (other than a truck tractor) manufactured on or after July 1, 2005 and each bus and truck (other than a truck tractor) manufactured in two or more stages on or after July 1, 2006 shall, under the conditions of S6, meet the requirements of S5.3.1, S5.3.3, S5.3.4, and S5.3.6, when tested without adjustments other than those specified in this standard. The service brake system on each trailer shall, under the conditions of S6, meet the requirements of S5.3.3, S5.3.4, and S5.3.5 when tested without adjustments other than those specified in this standard. However, a heavy hauler trailer and the truck and trailer portions of an auto transporter need not meet the requirements of S5.3.

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S5.3.6 Stability and control during braking—trucks and buses. When

stopped four consecutive times for each combination of weight, speed, and road conditions specified in S5.3.6.1 and S5.3.6.2, each truck tractor shall stop at least three times within the 12-foot lane, without any part of the vehicle leaving the roadway. When stopped four consecutive times for each combination of weight, speed, and road conditions specified in S5.3.6.1 and S5.3.6.2, each bus and truck (other than a truck tractor) manufactured on or after July 1, 2005, and each bus and truck (other than a truck tractor) manufactured in two or more stages on or after July 1, 2006, shall stop at least three times within the 12-foot lane, without any part of the vehicle leaving the roadway.

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S5.3.6.2 Stop the vehicle, with the vehicle:

(a) Loaded to its GVWR, for a truck tractor, and

(b) At its unloaded weight plus up to 500 pounds (including driver and instrumentation), or at the manufacturer's option, at its unloaded weight plus up to 500 pounds (including driver and instrumentation) and plus not more than an additional 1000 pounds for a roll bar structure on the vehicle, for a truck, bus, or truck tractor.

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S6.1.17 Selection of compliance options. Where manufacturer options are specified, the manufacturer shall select the option by the time it certifies the vehicle and may not thereafter select a different option for the vehicle. Each manufacturer shall, upon request from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, provide information regarding which of the compliance

options it has selected for a particular vehicle or make/model.

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TABLE I.—STOPPING SEQUENCE

	Truck tractors	Single unit trucks and buses
Burnish .....	1	1
Stability and Control at GVWR (PFC 0.5) .....	2	N/A
Stability and Control at LLVW (PFC 0.5) .....	3	5
Manual Adjustment of Brakes .....	4	N/A
60 mph Service Brake Stops at GVWR (PFC 0.9) ..	5	2
60 mph Emergency Service Brake Stops at GVWR (PFC 0.9) .....	N/A	3
Parking Brake Test at GVWR .....	6	4
Manual Adjustment of Brakes .....	7	6
60 mph Service Brake Stops at LLVW (PFC 0.9) ...	8	7
60 mph Emergency Service Brake Stops at LLVW (PFC 0.9) .....	9	8
Parking Brake Test at LLVW .....	10	9
Final Inspection .....	11	10

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****50 CFR Part 622****[I.D. 080503A]****Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Closure of the Spring Commercial Red Snapper Component**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of Closure.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS closes the commercial fishery for red snapper in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ) of the Gulf of Mexico. NMFS has determined that the spring portion of the annual commercial quota for red snapper will be reached on August 7, 2003. This closure is necessary to protect the red snapper resource.

**DATES:** Closure is effective noon, local time, August 7, 2003, until noon, local time, on October 1, 2003.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The reef fish fishery of the Gulf of Mexico is managed under the Fishery Management Plan for the Reef Fish Resources of the Gulf of Mexico (FMP).

The FMP was prepared by the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council and is implemented under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act by regulations at 50 CFR part 622. Those regulations set the commercial quota for red snapper in the Gulf of Mexico at 4.65 million lb (2.11 million kg) for the current fishing year, January 1 through December 31, 2003. The red snapper commercial fishing season is split into two time periods, the first commencing at noon on February 1 with two-thirds of the annual quota (3.10 million lb (1.41 million kg)) available, and the second commencing at noon on October 1 with the remainder of the annual quota available. During the commercial season, the red snapper commercial fishery opens at noon on the first of each month and closes at noon on the 10th of each month, until the applicable commercial quotas are reached.

Under 50 CFR 622.43(a), NMFS is required to close the commercial fishery for a species or species group when the quota for that species or species group is reached, or is projected to be reached, by filing a notification to that effect in the **Federal Register**. Based on current statistics, NMFS has determined that the available spring commercial quota of 3.10 million lb (1.41 million kg) for red snapper will be reached when the fishery closes at noon on August 7, 2003. Accordingly, the commercial fishery in the EEZ in the Gulf of Mexico for red snapper will remain closed until noon, local time, on October 1, 2003. The operator of a vessel with a valid reef fish permit having red snapper aboard

must have landed and bartered, traded, or sold such red snapper prior to noon, local time, August 7, 2003.

During the closure, the bag and possession limits specified in 50 CFR 622.39(b) apply to all harvest or possession of red snapper in or from the EEZ in the Gulf of Mexico, and the sale or purchase of red snapper taken from the EEZ is prohibited. In addition, the bag and possession limits for red snapper apply on board a vessel for which a commercial permit for Gulf reef fish has been issued, without regard to where such red snapper were harvested. However, the bag and possession limits for red snapper apply only when the recreational quota for red snapper has not been reached and the bag and possession limit has not been reduced to zero. The 2003 recreational red snapper season opens on April 21, 2003, and closes on October 31, 2003. The prohibition on sale or purchase does not apply to sale or purchase of red snapper that were harvested, landed ashore, and sold prior to noon, local time, August 7, 2003, and were held in cold storage by a dealer or processor.

**Classification**

This action is taken under 50 CFR 622.43(a) and is exempt from review under Executive Order 12866.

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